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To prevent the use of certain payment instruments, credit cards, and fund transfers for unlawful Internet gambling, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Kyl (for himself, Mr. Shelby, and Mrs. Feinstein) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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Reported by Mr. Shelby, with an amendment

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A BILL

To prevent the use of certain payment instruments, credit cards, and fund transfers for unlawful Internet gambling, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Unlawful Internet
- 5 Gambling Funding Prohibition Act".

1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

2	Congress finds that—
3	(1) Internet gambling is primarily funded
4	through personal use of payment system instru-
5	ments, eredit eards, and wire transfers;
6	(2) the National Gambling Impact Study Com-
7	mission in 1999 recommended the passage of legisla-
8	tion to prohibit wire transfers to Internet gambling
9	sites or the banks which represent them;
10	(3) Internet gambling is a growing cause of
11	debt collection problems for insured depository insti-
12	tutions and the consumer credit industry;
13	(4) Internet gambling conducted through off-
14	shore jurisdictions has been identified by United
15	States law enforcement officials as a significant
16	money laundering vulnerability;
17	(5) gambling through the Internet, which has
18	grown rapidly in the half-decade preceding the en-
19	actment of this Act, opens up the possibility of im-
20	mediate, individual, 24-hour access in every home to
21	the full range of wagering opportunities on sporting
22	events or easino-like contests, such as roulette, slot
23	machines, poker, or black-jack; and
24	(6) the extent to which gambling is permitted
25	and regulated in the United States has been pri-
26	marily a matter for determination by individual

1	States and, if applicable, Indian tribes, with Federal
2	law serving to prevent interstate or other attempts
3	to evade or avoid such determinations.
4	SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON ACCEPTANCE OF ANY PAYMENT
5	SYSTEM INSTRUMENT, CREDIT CARD, OR
6	FUND TRANSFER FOR UNLAWFUL INTERNET
7	GAMBLING.
8	Chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, is amend-
9	ed by adding at the end the following:
10	"SUBCHAPTER IV—FUNDING OF ILLEGAL
11	INTERNET GAMBLING
12	"§ 5361. Definitions
13	"For purposes of this subchapter, the following defi-
14	nitions shall apply:
15	"(1) BET OR WAGER.—The term 'bet or
16	wager'
17	"(A) means the staking or risking by any
18	person of something of value upon the outcome
19	of a contest of others, a sporting event, or a
20	game subject to chance, upon an agreement or
21	understanding that the person or another per-
22	son will receive something of value in the event
23	of a certain outcome;
24	"(B) includes the purchase of a chance or
25	opportunity to win a lottery or other prize

1	(which opportunity to win is predominantly sub-
2	ject to chance);
3	"(C) includes any scheme of a type de-
4	scribed in section 3702 of title 28, United
5	States Code;
6	"(D) includes any instructions or informa-
7	tion pertaining to the establishment or move-
8	ment of funds in, to, or from an account by the
9	bettor or customer with regard to the business
10	of betting or wagering; and
11	"(E) does not include—
12	"(i) any activity governed by the secu-
13	rities laws (as that term is defined in see
14	tion 3(a)(47) of the Securities Exchange
15	Act of 1934) for the purchase or sale of se-
16	curities (as that term is defined in section
17	$\frac{3(a)(10)}{a}$ of such Act);
18	"(ii) any transaction conducted on or
19	subject to the rules of a registered entity
20	or exempt board of trade pursuant to the
21	Commodity Exchange Act;
22	"(iii) any over-the-counter derivative
23	instrument;
24	"(iv) any other transaction that—

1	"(I) is excluded or exempt from
2	regulation under the Commodity Ex-
3	change Act; or
4	"(II) is exempt from State gam-
5	ing or bucket shop laws under section
6	12(e) of the Commodity Exchange Act
7	or section 28(a) of the Securities Ex-
8	change Act of 1934;
9	"(v) any contract of indemnity or
10	guarantee;
11	"(vi) any contract for insurance;
12	"(vii) any deposit or other transaction
13	with an insured institution;
14	"(viii) any participation in a simula-
15	tion sports game, or an educational game
16	or contest, that—
17	"(I) is not dependent solely on
18	the outcome of any single sporting
19	event or nonparticipant's singular in-
20	dividual performance in any single
21	sporting event;
22	"(II) has an outcome that re-
23	fleets the relative knowledge and skill
24	of the participants, with such outcome
25	determined predominantly by accumu-

1	lated statistical results of sporting
2	events; and
3	"(III) offers a prize or award to
4	a participant that is established in ad-
5	vance of the game or contest and is
6	not determined by the number of par-
7	ticipants or the amount of any fees
8	paid by those participants; or
9	"(ix) any lawful transaction with a
10	business licensed or authorized by a State.
11	"(2) Business of Betting or Wagering.—
12	The term 'business of betting or wagering' does not
13	include, other than for purposes of section 5366, any
14	ereditor, eredit eard issuer, insured institution, or
15	other financial institution, operator of a terminal at
16	which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated,
17	money transmitting business, or international, na-
18	tional, regional, or local network utilized to effect a
19	eredit transaction, electronic fund transfer, stored
20	value product transaction, or money transmitting
21	service, or any participant in such network, or any
22	interactive computer service or telecommunications
23	service.
24	"(3) Designated Payment System. The
25	term 'designated payment system' means any system

1 utilized by any creditor, credit card issuer, financial 2 institution, operator of a terminal at which an elec-3 tronic fund transfer may be initiated, money trans-4 mitting business, or international, national, regional, 5 or local network utilized to effect a credit trans-6 action, electronic fund transfer, stored value product 7 transaction, or money transmitting service, or any 8 participant in such network, that the Secretary, in 9 consultation with the Board of Governors of the 10 Federal Reserve System and the Attorney General of 11 the United States, determines, by regulation or 12 order, could be utilized in connection with, or to fa-13 cilitate, any restricted transaction.

- "(4) Internet.—The term 'Internet' means the international computer network of interoperable packet switched data networks.
- "(5) Interactive computer service.—The term 'interactive computer service' has the same meaning as in section 230(f) of the Communications Act of 1934.
- "(6) OFFICE.—The term 'Office' means the Office of Electronic Funding Oversight, established under section 5362.
- 24 <u>"(7) RESTRICTED TRANSACTION.—The term</u> 25 'restricted transaction' means any transaction or

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1	transmittal involving any credit, funds, instrument,
2	or proceeds described in any paragraph of section
3	5363 which the recipient is prohibited from accept-
4	ing under section 5363.
5	"(8) Secretary.—The term 'Secretary' means
6	the Secretary of the Treasury.
7	"(9) Unlawful internet gambling.—The
8	term 'unlawful Internet gambling' means the plac-
9	ing, receipt, or other transmission of a bet or wager
10	by any means which involves the use, at least in
11	part, of the Internet, where such bet or wager is un-
12	lawful under any applicable Federal or State law in
13	the State in which the bet or wager is initiated, re-
14	ceived, or otherwise made.
15	"(10) OTHER TERMS.—
16	"(A) CREDIT; CREDITOR; CREDIT CARD;
17	AND CARD ISSUER.—The terms 'credit', 'cred-
18	itor', 'eredit eard', and 'eard issuer' have the
19	same meanings as in section 103 of the Truth
20	in Lending Act.
21	"(B) ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER.—The
22	term 'electronic fund transfer'—
23	"(i) has the same meaning as in sec-
24	tion 903 of the Electronic Fund Transfer
25	Act. except that such term includes trans-

1	fers that would otherwise be excluded
2	under section 903(6)(E) of that Act; and
3	"(ii) includes any fund transfer cov-
4	ered by Article 4A of the Uniform Com-
5	mercial Code, as in effect in any State.
6	"(C) FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term
7	'financial institution' has the same meaning as
8	in section 903 of the Electronic Fund Transfer
9	Act, except that such term does not include a
10	easino, sports book, or other business at or
11	through which bets or wagers may be placed or
12	received.
13	"(D) INSURED INSTITUTION.—The term
14	'insured institution' means—
15	"(i) an insured depository institution,
16	as defined in section 3 of the Federal De-
17	posit Insurance Act; and
18	"(ii) an insured credit union, as de-
19	fined in section 101 of the Federal Credit
20	Union Act.
21	"(E) Money transmitting business
22	AND MONEY TRANSMITTING SERVICE.—The
23	terms 'money transmitting business' and
24	'money transmitting service' have the same
25	meanings as in section 5330(d) (determined

1	without regard to any regulations issued by the
2	Secretary thereunder).
3	"§ 5362. Office of electronic funding oversight; poli-
4	cies and procedures to identify and pre-
5	vent restricted transactions
6	"(a) Establishment of Treasury Office.—
7	"(1) In General.—There is established within
8	the Department of the Treasury, the Office of Elec-
9	tronic Funding Oversight, the purposes of which
10	are
11	"(A) to coordinate Federal efforts to pro-
12	hibit restricted transactions; and
13	"(B) otherwise to carry out the duties of
14	the Office, as specified in this subchapter.
15	"(2) DIRECTOR.—The Office shall be headed by
16	a Director, appointed by the Secretary. The Director
17	of the Office may serve as the designee of the Sec-
18	retary, at the request of the Secretary, for any pur-
19	pose under this subchapter.
20	"(b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 6 months after
21	the date of enactment of this subchapter, the Office, in
22	consultation with the Board of Governors of the Federal
23	Reserve System and the Attorney General of the United
24	States, shall prescribe regulations requiring any des-
25	ignated payment system, and all participants therein, to

1	establish policies and procedures reasonably designed to
2	identify and prevent restricted transactions through the
3	establishment of policies and procedures that—
4	"(1) allow the payment system and any person
5	involved in the payment system to identify restricted
6	transactions by means of codes in authorization mes-
7	sages or by other means;
8	"(2) block restricted transactions identified as ϵ
9	result of the policies and procedures developed pur-
10	suant to paragraph (1); and
11	"(3) prevent the acceptance of the products or
12	services of the payment system in connection with ϵ
13	restricted transaction.
14	"(e) REQUIREMENTS FOR POLICIES AND PROCE
15	DURES.—In prescribing regulations pursuant to sub-
16	section (b), the Office shall—
17	"(1) identify types of policies and procedures
18	including nonexclusive examples, which would be
19	deemed to be 'reasonably designed to identify' and
20	'reasonably designed to block' or to 'prevent the ac-
21	ceptance of the products or services' with respect to
22	each type of transaction, such as, should credit care
23	transactions be so designated, identifying trans-

actions by a code or codes in the authorization mes-

sage and denying authorization of a credit card
 transaction in response to an authorization message;

"(2) to the extent practical, permit any participant in a payment system to choose among alternative means of identifying and blocking, or otherwise preventing the acceptance of the products or services of the payment system or participant in connection with, restricted transactions; and

"(3) consider exempting restricted transactions from any requirement imposed under such regulations, if the Office finds that it is not reasonably practical to identify and block, or otherwise prevent, such transactions.

"(d) Compliance With Payment System Poli15 cies and Procedures.—A creditor, credit card issuer,
16 financial institution, operator of a terminal at which an
17 electronic fund transfer may be initiated, money transmit18 ting business, or international, national, regional, or local
19 network utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic
20 fund transfer, stored value product transaction, or money
21 transmitting service, or a participant in such network,
22 shall be considered to be in compliance with the regula-

tions prescribed under subsection (b), if—

1	"(1) such person relies on and complies with
2	the policies and procedures of a designated payment
3	system of which it is a member or participant—
4	"(A) to identify and block restricted trans-
5	actions; or
6	"(B) to otherwise prevent the acceptance
7	of the products or services of the payment sys-
8	tem, member, or participant in connection with
9	restricted transactions; and
10	"(2) such policies and procedures of the des-
11	ignated payment system comply with the require-
12	ments of regulations prescribed under subsection
13	(b).
14	"(e) No Liability for Blocking or Refusing To
15	HONOR RESTRICTED TRANSACTIONS.—A person that is
16	subject to a regulation prescribed or order issued under
17	this subchapter and blocks, or otherwise refuses to honor,
18	a restricted transaction, or as a member of a designated
19	payment system relies on the policies and procedures of
20	the payment system, in an effort to comply with regula-
21	tions prescribed under this section, shall not be liable to
22	any party for such action.
23	"(f) Regulatory Enforcement.—Regulations
24	issued by the Office under this subchapter shall be en-
25	forced by the Federal functional regulators and the Fed-

1	eral Trade Commission, in the manner provided in section
2	505(a) of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.
3	"§ 5363. Prohibition on acceptance of any bank in-
4	strument for unlawful Internet gambling
5	"No person engaged in the business of betting or wa-
6	gering may knowingly accept, in connection with the par-
7	ticipation of another person in unlawful Internet gam-
8	bling —
9	"(1) eredit, or the proceeds of eredit, extended
10	to or on behalf of such other person (including credit
11	extended through the use of a credit card);
12	"(2) an electronic fund transfer or funds trans-
13	mitted by or through a money transmitting business,
14	or the proceeds of an electronic fund transfer or
15	money transmitting service, from or on behalf of
16	such other person;
17	"(3) any check, draft, or similar instrument
18	which is drawn by or on behalf of such other person
19	and is drawn on or payable at or through any finan-
20	cial institution; or
21	"(4) the proceeds of any other form of financial
22	transaction, as the Secretary may prescribe by regu-
23	lation, which involves a financial institution as a
24	payor or financial intermediary on behalf of or for
25	the benefit of such other person.

"§ 5364. Civil remedies

2	"(a) JURISDICTION.—The district courts of the
3	United States shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction
4	to prevent and restrain violations of this subchapter or
5	the rules or regulations issued under this subchapter by
6	issuing appropriate orders in accordance with this section,
7	regardless of whether a prosecution has been initiated
8	under this subchapter.
9	"(b) Proceedings.—
10	"(1) Institution by Federal Govern-
11	MENT.—
12	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The United States,
13	acting through the Attorney General, or, in the
14	case of rules or regulations issued under this
15	subchapter, through an agency authorized to
16	enforce such regulations in accordance with this
17	subchapter, may institute proceedings under
18	this section to prevent or restrain a violation or
19	a threatened violation of this subchapter or
20	such rules or regulations.
21	"(B) Relief.—Upon application of the
22	United States under this paragraph, the district
23	court may enter a preliminary injunction or an
24	injunction against any person to prevent or re-
25	strain a violation or threatened violation of this
26	subchapter or the rules or regulations issued

1	under this subchapter, in accordance with rule
2	65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
3	"(2) Institution by state attorney gen-
4	ERAL.—
5	"(A) In General.—The attorney general
6	of a State (or other appropriate State official)
7	in which a violation of this subchapter allegedly
8	has occurred or will occur may institute pro-
9	eeedings under this section to prevent or re-
10	strain the violation or threatened violation.
11	"(B) Relief.—Upon application of the at-
12	torney general (or other appropriate State offi-
13	cial) of an affected State under this paragraph,
14	the district court may enter a preliminary in-
15	junction or an injunction against any person to
16	prevent or restrain a violation or threatened
17	violation of this subchapter, in accordance with
18	rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
19	"(3) Indian Lands.—
20	"(A) In GENERAL.—Notwithstanding
21	paragraphs (1) and (2), for a violation of this
22	subchapter or the rules or regulations issued
23	under this subchapter that is alleged to have oc-
24	curred, or may occur, on Indian lands (as that

1	term is defined in section 4 of the Indian Gam-
2	ing Regulatory Act)—
3	"(i) the United States shall have the
4	enforcement authority provided under
5	paragraph (1); and
6	"(ii) the enforcement authorities spec-
7	ified in an applicable Tribal-State compact
8	negotiated under section 11 of the Indian
9	Gaming Regulatory Act shall be carried
10	out in accordance with that compact.
11	"(B) Rule of construction.—No provi-
12	sion of this subchapter shall be construed as al-
13	tering, superseding, or otherwise affecting the
14	application of the Indian Gaming Regulatory
15	Act.
16	"(c) Expedited Proceedings.—In addition to any
17	proceeding under subsection (b), a district court may, in
18	exigent circumstances, enter a temporary restraining
19	order against a person alleged to be in violation of this
20	subchapter or the rules or regulations issued under this
21	subchapter, upon application of the United States under
22	subsection (b)(1), or the attorney general (or other appro-
23	priate State official) of an affected State under subsection
24	(b)(2), in accordance with rule 65(b) of the Federal Rules
25	of Civil Procedure.

1	"(d) Limitation Relating to Interactive Com
2	PUTER SERVICES.—
3	"(1) In General.—Relief granted under this
4	section against an interactive computer service
5	shall—
6	"(A) be limited to the removal of, or dis
7	abling of access to, an online site violating this
8	subchapter, or a hypertext link to an online site
9	violating this subchapter, that resides on a com
10	puter server that such service controls or oper
11	ates, except that the limitation in this subpara
12	graph shall not apply if the service is subject to
13	liability under this section pursuant to section
14	5366;
15	"(B) be available only after notice to the
16	interactive computer service and an opportunity
17	for the service to appear are provided;
18	"(C) not impose any obligation on an
19	interactive computer service to monitor its serv
20	ice or to affirmatively seek facts indicating ac
21	tivity violating this subchapter;
22	"(D) specify the interactive computer serv
23	ice to which it applies; and

1	"(E) specifically identify the location of the
2	online site or hypertext link to be removed or
3	access to which is to be disabled.
4	"(2) COORDINATION WITH OTHER LAW.—An
5	interactive computer service that does not violate
6	this subchapter shall not be liable under section
7	1084 of title 18, United States Code, except that the
8	limitation in this paragraph shall not apply if an
9	interactive computer service has actual knowledge
10	and control of bets and wagers and—
11	"(A) operates, manages, supervises, or di-
12	reets an Internet website at which unlawful bets
13	or wagers may be placed, received, or otherwise
14	made or at which unlawful bets or wagers are
15	offered to be placed, received, or otherwise
16	made; or
17	"(B) owns or controls, or is owned or con-
18	trolled by, any person who operates, manages,
19	supervises, or directs an Internet website at
20	which unlawful bets or wagers may be placed,
21	received, or otherwise made, or at which unlaw-
22	ful bets or wagers are offered to be placed, re-
23	ceived, or otherwise made.
24	"(3) Rule of construction.—The provisions
25	of paragraph (2) do not affect any potential liability

1	of an interactive computer service or other person
2	under any provision of title 18, United States Code
3	other than as specifically provided in paragraph (2).
4	"(e) Factors To Be Considered in Certain
5	Cases.—In considering granting relief under this section
6	against any payment system, or any participant in a pay-
7	ment system that is a creditor, credit card issuer, financial
8	institution, operator of a terminal at which an electronic
9	fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting busi-
10	ness, or international, national, regional, or local network
11	utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund
12	transfer, stored value product transaction, or money
13	transmitting service, or a participant in such network, the
14	court shall consider—
15	"(1) the extent to which the person extending
16	credit or transmitting funds knew or should have
17	known that the transaction was in connection with
18	unlawful Internet gambling;
19	"(2) the history of such person in extending
20	eredit or transmitting funds when such person knew
21	or should have known that the transaction is in con-
22	nection with unlawful Internet gambling;
23	"(3) the extent to which such person has estab-
24	lished and is maintaining policies and procedures in

1	compliance with rules and regulations issued under
2	this subchapter;
3	"(4) the extent to which it is feasible for any
4	specific remedy prescribed as part of such relief to
5	be implemented by such person without substantial
6	deviation from normal business practice; and
7	"(5) the costs and burdens that the specific
8	remedy will have on such person.
9	"(f) Notice to Regulators and Financial Insti-
10	TUTIONS.—Before initiating any proceeding under sub-
11	section (b) with respect to a violation or potential violation
12	of this subchapter or the rules or regulations issued under
13	this subchapter by any creditor, credit card issuer, finan-
14	cial institution, operator of a terminal at which an elec-
15	tronic fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting
16	business, or international, national, regional, or local net-
17	work utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund
18	transfer, stored value product transaction, or money
19	transmitting service, or any participant in such network,
20	the Attorney General of the United States, an attorney
21	general of a State (or other appropriate State official), or
22	an agency authorized to initiate such proceeding under
23	this subchapter, shall—
24	"(1) notify such person, and the appropriate
25	regulatory agency (as determined in accordance with

- section 5362(f) for such person) of such violation or

 potential violation and the remedy to be sought in

 such proceeding; and
- "(2) allow such person 30 days to implement a reasonable remedy for the violation or potential violation, consistent with the factors described in subsection (e), and in conjunction with such action as the appropriate regulatory agency may take.

9 "§ 5365. Criminal penalties

- 10 "(a) In General.—Whoever violates this subchapter
- 11 or the rules or regulations issued under this subchapter
- 12 shall be fined under title 18, United States Code, or im-
- 13 prisoned for not more than 5 years, or both.
- 14 "(b) PERMANENT INJUNCTION.—Upon conviction of
- 15 a person under this section, the court may enter a perma-
- 16 nent injunction enjoining such person from placing, receiv-
- 17 ing, or otherwise making bets or wagers or sending, receiv-
- 18 ing, or inviting information assisting in the placing of bets
- 19 or wagers.

20 *\frac{5366. Circumventions prohibited}

- 21 "Notwithstanding section 5361(2), a creditor, credit
- 22 eard issuer, financial institution, operator of a terminal
- 23 at which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated,
- 24 money transmitting business, or international, national,
- 25 regional, or local network utilized to effect a credit trans-

- 1 action, electronic fund transfer, stored value product
- 2 transaction, or money transmitting service, or any partici-
- 3 pant in such network, or any interactive computer service
- 4 or telecommunications service, may be liable under this
- 5 subchapter if such ereditor, issuer, institution, operator,
- 6 business, network, or participant has actual knowledge
- 7 and control of bets and wagers, and—
- 8 "(1) operates, manages, supervises, or directs
- 9 an Internet website at which unlawful bets or wagers
- 10 may be placed, received, or otherwise made, or at
- 11 which unlawful bets or wagers are offered to be
- 12 placed, received, or otherwise made; or
- 13 "(2) owns or controls, or is owned or controlled
- by, any person who operates, manages, supervises,
- or directs an Internet website at which unlawful bets
- or wagers may be placed, received, or otherwise
- 17 made, or at which unlawful bets or wagers are of-
- 18 fered to be placed, received, or otherwise made.".

19 SEC. 4. INTERNET GAMBLING IN OR THROUGH FOREIGN

- 20 **JURISDICTIONS.**
- 21 (a) In General.—In deliberations between the
- 22 United States Government and any other country on
- 23 money laundering, corruption, and crime issues, the
- 24 United States Government should—

1	(1) encourage cooperation by foreign govern-
2	ments and relevant international fora in identifying
3	whether Internet gambling operations are being used
4	for money laundering, corruption, or other crimes;
5	(2) advance policies that promote the coopera-
6	tion of foreign governments, through information
7	sharing or other measures, in the enforcement of
8	this Act and the amendments made by this Act; and
9	(3) encourage the Financial Action Task Force
10	on Money Laundering, in its annual report on
11	money laundering typologies, to study the extent to
12	which Internet gambling operations are being used
13	for money laundering purposes.
14	(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of the
15	Treasury shall submit an annual report to Congress on
16	any deliberations between the United States and other
17	countries on issues relating to Internet gambling.
18	SEC. 5. AMENDMENTS TO CRIMINAL GAMBLING PROVI-
19	SIONS.
20	(a) Amendment to Definition.—Section 1081 of
21	title 18, United States Code, is amended—
22	(1) by designating the five undesignated para-
23	graphs that begin with "The term" as paragraphs
24	(1) through (5), respectively; and
25	(2) in paragraph (5), as so designated—

1	(A) by striking "wire communication" and
2	inserting "communication";
3	(B) by inserting "satellite, microwave,"
4	after "cable,"; and
5	(C) by inserting "(whether fixed or mo-
6	bile)" after "connection".
7	(b) INCREASE IN PENALTY FOR UNLAWFUL WIRE
8	Transfers of Wagering Information.—Section
9	1084(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by
10	striking "two years" and inserting "5 years".
11	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
12	This Act may be cited as the "Internet Gambling
13	Funding Prohibition Act".
14	SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
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9	full range of wagering opportunities on sporting
10	events or casino-like contests, such as roulette, slot
11	machines, poker, or blackjack.
12	SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON ACCEPTANCE OF ANY PAYMENT
13	SYSTEM INSTRUMENT, CREDIT CARD, OR
14	FUND TRANSFER FOR INTERNET GAMBLING.
15	(a) In General.—Chapter 53 of title 31, United
16	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:
17	"SUBCHAPTER IV—PROHIBITION ON FUNDING
18	OF INTERNET GAMBLING
19	"§ 5361. Definitions
20	"For purposes of this subchapter, the following defini-
21	tions shall apply:
22	"(1) Bet or wager.—The term 'bet or wager'—
23	"(A) means the staking or risking by any
24	person of something of value upon the outcome of
25	a contest of others, a sporting event, or a game

1	subject to chance, upon an agreement or under-
2	standing that the person or another person will
3	receive something of value in the event of a cer-
4	$tain\ outcome;$
5	"(B) includes the purchase of a chance or
6	opportunity to win a lottery or other prize
7	(which opportunity to win is predominantly
8	subject to chance);
9	"(C) includes any scheme of a type de-
10	scribed in section 3702 of title 28, United States
11	Code;
12	"(D) includes any instructions or informa-
13	tion pertaining to the establishment or movement
14	of funds in, to, or from an account by the bettor
15	or customer with regard to the business of betting
16	or wagering; and
17	"(E) does not include—
18	"(i) any activity governed by the secu-
19	rities laws (as that term is defined in sec-
20	tion 3(a)(47) of the Securities Exchange Act
21	of 1934) for the purchase or sale of securi-
22	ties (as that term is defined in section
23	3(a)(10) of that Act);
24	"(ii) any transaction conducted on or
25	subject to the rules of a registered entity or

1	exempt board of trade pursuant to the Com-
2	$modity\ Exchange\ Act;$
3	"(iii) any over-the-counter derivative
4	instrument;
5	"(iv) any other transaction that—
6	"(I) is excluded or exempt from
7	regulation under the Commodity Ex-
8	$change\ Act;\ or$
9	"(II) is exempt from State gam-
10	ing or bucket shop laws under section
11	12(e) of the Commodity Exchange Act
12	or section 28(a) of the Securities Ex-
13	change Act of 1934;
14	"(v) any contract of indemnity or
15	guarantee;
16	"(vi) any contract for insurance;
17	"(vii) any deposit or other transaction
18	with an insured institution; or
19	"(viii) any participation in a simula-
20	tion sports game, an educational game, or
21	a contest, that—
22	"(I) is not dependent solely on the
23	outcome of any single sporting event or
24	nonparticipant's singular individual

1	performance in any single sporting
2	event;
3	"(II) has an outcome that reflects
4	the relative knowledge of the partici-
5	pants, or their skill at physical reac-
6	tion or physical manipulation (but not
7	chance), and, in the case of a simula-
8	tion sports game, has an outcome that
9	is determined predominantly by accu-
10	mulated statistical results of sporting
11	events; and
12	"(III) offers a prize or award to
13	a participant that is established in ad-
14	vance of the game or contest and is not
15	determined by the number of partici-
16	pants or the amount of any fees paid
17	by those participants.
18	"(2) Business of Betting or Wagering.—The
19	term 'business of betting or wagering' does not include
20	any creditor, credit card issuer, insured institution,
21	or other financial institution, operator of a terminal
22	at which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated,
23	money transmitting business, or international, na-
24	tional, regional, or local network utilized to effect a

credit transaction, electronic fund transfer, stored

1	value product transaction, or money transmitting
2	service, or any participant in such network, or any
3	interactive computer service or telecommunications
4	service.
5	"(3) Closed-loop subscriber-based serv-
6	ICE.—The term 'closed-loop subscriber-based service'
7	means any information service or system that uses—
8	"(A) a device or combination of devices—
9	"(i) expressly authorized and operated
10	in accordance with the laws of a State, ex-
11	clusively for placing, receiving, or otherwise
12	making a bet or wager described in sub-
13	section $(b)(1)$ or $(c)(1)$ of section 5363; and
14	"(ii) by which a person located within
15	any State must subscribe and be registered
16	with the provider of the wagering service by
17	name, address, and appropriate billing in-
18	formation to be authorized to place, receive,
19	or otherwise make a bet or wager, and must
20	be physically located within that State in
21	order to be authorized to do so;
22	"(B) an effective customer verification and
23	age verification system, expressly authorized and
24	operated in accordance with the laws of the State
25	in which it is located, and a sustem reasonably

designed to verify the location at which a bet or

wager is made, to ensure that all applicable Fed
eral and State legal and regulatory requirements

for lawful gambling are met; and

- "(C) appropriate data security standards to prevent unauthorized access by any person who has not subscribed or who is a minor.
- "(4) Designated payment system' means any system utilized by any creditor, credit card issuer, financial institution, operator of a terminal at which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting business, or international, national, regional, or local network utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund transfer, stored value product transaction, or money transmitting service, or any participant in such network, that the Secretary, in consultation with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Attorney General of the United States, determines, by regulation or order, could be utilized in connection with, or to facilitate, any restricted transaction.
- "(5) Internet.—The term 'Internet' means the international computer network of interoperable packet switched data networks.

1	"(6) Interactive computer service.—The
2	term 'interactive computer service' has the same
3	meaning as in section 230(f) of the Communications
4	Act of 1934.
5	"(7) Internet Gambling.—The term 'Internet
6	gambling' means the placing, receipt, or other trans-
7	mission of a bet or wager by any means which in-
8	volves the use, at least in part, of the Internet.
9	"(8) Office.—The term 'Office' means the Office
10	of Electronic Funding Oversight, established under
11	section 5362.
12	"(9) Private network.—The term 'private net-
13	work' means a communications channel or channels,
14	including voice or computer data transmission facili-
15	ties, that uses either—
16	"(A) private dedicated lines; or
17	"(B) the public communications infrastruc-
18	ture, if the infrastructure is secured by means of
19	the appropriate private communications tech-
20	nology to prevent unauthorized access.
21	"(10) Restricted transaction.—The term 're-
22	stricted transaction' means any transaction or trans-
23	mittal involving any credit, funds, instrument, or
24	proceeds described in any paragraph of section

1	5363(a) which the recipient is prohibited from accept-
2	ing under section 5363.
3	"(11) Secretary.—The term 'Secretary' means
4	the Secretary of the Treasury.
5	"(12) Other terms.—
6	"(A) Credit; creditor; credit card; and
7	CARD ISSUER.—The terms 'credit', 'creditor',
8	'credit card', and 'card issuer' have the same
9	meanings as in section 103 of the Truth in
10	$Lending\ Act.$
11	"(B) Electronic fund transfer.—The
12	term 'electronic fund transfer'—
13	"(i) has the same meaning as in sec-
14	tion 903 of the Electronic Fund Transfer
15	Act, except that such term includes transfers
16	that would otherwise be excluded under sec-
17	tion $903(6)(E)$ of that Act ; and
18	"(ii) includes any fund transfer cov-
19	ered by Article 4A of the Uniform Commer-
20	cial Code, as in effect in any State.
21	"(C) Financial institution.—The term
22	'financial institution' has the same meaning as
23	in section 903 of the Electronic Fund Transfer
24	Act, except that such term does not include a ca-

1	sino, sports book, or other business at or through
2	which bets or wagers may be placed or received.
3	"(D) Insured institution.—The term 'in-
4	sured institution' means—
5	"(i) an insured depository institution,
6	as defined in section 3 of the Federal De-
7	posit Insurance Act; and
8	"(ii) an insured credit union, as de-
9	fined in section 101 of the Federal Credit
10	$Union\ Act.$
11	"(E) Money transmitting business and
12	MONEY TRANSMITTING SERVICE.—The terms
13	'money transmitting business' and 'money trans-
14	mitting service' have the same meanings as in
15	section 5330(d) (determined without regard to
16	any regulations issued by the Secretary there-
17	under).
18	"§ 5362. Office of electronic funding oversight; policies
19	and procedures to identify and prevent re-
20	stricted transactions
21	"(a) Establishment of Treasury Office.—
22	"(1) In General.—There is established within
23	the Department of the Treasury, the Office of Elec-
24	tronic Funding Oversight, the purposes of which
25	are—

1	"(A) to coordinate Federal efforts to pro-
2	hibit restricted transactions; and
3	"(B) otherwise to carry out the duties speci-
4	fied in this subchapter.
5	"(2) DIRECTOR.—The Office shall be headed by
6	a Director, appointed by the Secretary. The Director
7	of the Office may serve as the designee of the Sec-
8	retary, at the request of the Secretary, for any pur-
9	pose under this subchapter.
10	"(b) Regulations.—Not later than 270 days after the
11	date of enactment of this subchapter, the Secretary, in con-
12	sultation with the Board of Governors of the Federal Re-
13	serve System and the Attorney General of the United States,
14	shall prescribe regulations requiring each designated pay-
15	ment system, and all participants therein, to identify and
16	prevent restricted transactions through the establishment of
17	policies and procedures reasonably designed to—
18	"(1) allow the payment system and any person
19	involved in the payment system to identify restricted
20	transactions by means of codes in authorization mes-
21	sages or by other means;
22	"(2) block restricted transactions identified as a
23	result of the policies and procedures developed pursu-
24	ant to paragraph (1); and

1	"(3) prevent the acceptance of the products or
2	services of the payment system in connection with a
3	restricted transaction.
4	"(c) Requirements for Policies and Proce-
5	DURES.—In prescribing regulations pursuant to subsection
6	(b), the Secretary shall—
7	"(1) identify types of policies and procedures,
8	including nonexclusive examples, which would be
9	deemed, as applicable, to be 'reasonably designed to
10	identify' and 'reasonably designed to block', or 'rea-
11	sonably designed to prevent the acceptance of the
12	products or services' with respect to each type of re-
13	stricted transaction;
14	"(2) to the extent practical, permit any partici-
15	pant in a payment system to choose among alter-
16	native means of identifying and blocking, or otherwise
17	preventing the acceptance of the products or services
18	of the payment system or participant in connection

"(3) consider exempting restricted transactions from any requirement imposed under such regulations, if the Secretary finds that it is not reasonably practical to identify and block, or otherwise prevent, such transactions.

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1	"(d) Compliance With Payment System Policies
2	AND PROCEDURES.—A creditor, credit card issuer, finan-
3	cial institution, operator of a terminal at which an elec-
4	tronic fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting
5	business, or international, national, regional, or local net-
6	work utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund
7	transfer, stored value product transaction, or money trans-
8	mitting service, or a participant in such network, shall be
9	considered to be in compliance with the regulations pre-
10	scribed under subsection (b), if—
11	"(1) such person relies on and complies with the
12	policies and procedures of a designated payment sys-
13	tem of which it is a member or participant—
14	"(A) to identify and block restricted trans-
15	actions; and
16	"(B) to otherwise prevent the acceptance of
17	the products or services of the payment system,
18	member, or participant in connection with re-
19	stricted transactions; and
20	"(2) such policies and procedures of the des-
21	ignated payment system comply with the require-
22	ments of regulations prescribed under subsection (b).
23	"(e) No Liability for Blocking or Refusing To
24	Honor Restricted Transactions.—A person that is
25	subject to a regulation prescribed or order issued under this

1	subchapter and blocks, or otherwise refuses to honor, a re-
2	stricted transaction (or a transaction that such person rea-
3	sonably believes to be a restricted transaction), or as a mem-
4	ber of a designated payment system relies on the policies
5	and procedures of the payment system, in an effort to com-
6	ply with regulations prescribed under subsection (b), shall
7	not be liable to any party for such action.
8	"(f) REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT.—Regulations
9	issued by the Secretary under this subchapter shall be en-
10	forced by the Federal functional regulators and the Federal
11	Trade Commission, in the manner provided in section
12	505(a) of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.
13	"§ 5363. Prohibition on acceptance of any bank instru-
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14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	ment for Internet gambling "(a) Prohibition.—No person engaged in the business of betting or wagering may knowingly accept, in connection with the participation of another person in Internet gambling— "(1) credit, or the proceeds of credit, extended to or on behalf of such other person (including credit extended through the use of a credit card);

- money transmitting service, from or on behalf of such
 other person;
 - "(3) any check, draft, or similar instrument which is drawn by or on behalf of such other person and is drawn on or payable at or through any financial institution; or
 - "(4) the proceeds of any other form of financial transaction, as the Secretary may prescribe by regulation, which involves a financial institution as a payor or financial intermediary on behalf of or for the benefit of such other person.

"(b) Rule of Application.—

- "(1) Limitation.—Subject to paragraph (2), the prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to any otherwise lawful bet or wager that is placed, received, or otherwise made on an interstate or intrastate basis on a live horse or a live dog race, or the sending, receiving, or inviting of information assisting in the placing of such a bet or wager, if such bet or wager, or the transmission of such information, as applicable, is—
 - "(A) expressly authorized, and licensed or regulated by the State in which such bet or wager is received, under applicable Federal law and the laws of that State;

1	"(B) placed on a closed-loop subscriber-
2	based service;
3	"(C) initiated from a State in which betting
4	or wagering on that same type of live horse or
5	live dog racing is lawful and received in a State
6	in which such betting or wagering is lawful;
7	"(D) subject to the regulatory oversight of
8	the State in which the bet or wager is received,
9	and subject to minimum control standards for
10	the accounting, regulatory inspection, and audit-
11	ing by such State of all such bets or wagers
12	transmitted from 1 State to another; and
13	"(E) in the case of—
14	"(i) live horse racing, made in accord-
15	ance with the Interstate Horse Racing Act
16	of 1978 (15 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.); or
17	"(ii) live dog racing, subject to consent
18	agreements that are comparable to those re-
19	quired by the Interstate Horse Racing Act
20	of 1978, approved by the appropriate State
21	regulatory agencies, in the State receiving
22	the signal, and in the State in which the bet
23	or wager originates.
24	"(2) Bets or wagers made by agents or
25	PROXIES.—

1 "(A) IN GENERAL.—The exception under
2 paragraph (1) does not apply in any case in
3 which a bet or wager is placed, received, or oth4 erwise made by the use of an agent or proxy
5 using the Internet or an interactive computer
6 service.

"(B) QUALIFICATION.—Nothing in this paragraph may be construed to prohibit the owner operator of a parimutuel wagering facility that is licensed by a State from employing an agent in the operation of the account wagering system owned or operated by the parimutuel facility.

"(c) Other Rules of Application.—

"(1) LIMITATION.—Subject to paragraph (2), the prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to any otherwise lawful bet or wager that is placed, received, or otherwise made on any game that constitutes class II gaming or class III gaming (as those terms are defined in section 4 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. 2703), or the sending, receiving, or inviting of information assisting in the placing of any such bet or wager, as applicable, if—

1	"(A) the game is permitted under and con-
2	ducted in accordance with the Indian Gaming
3	Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.);
4	"(B) each person placing, receiving, or oth-
5	erwise making such bet or wager, or transmit-
6	ting such information, is physically located on
7	Indian lands (as that term is defined in section
8	4 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25
9	U.S.C. 2703) when such person places, receives,
10	or otherwise makes the bet or wager, or transmits
11	such information;
12	"(C) the game is conducted on a closed-loop
13	subscriber-based system or a private network;
14	and
15	"(D) in the case of a game that constitutes
16	class III gaming—
17	"(i) the game is authorized under, and
18	is conducted in accordance with, the respec-
19	tive Tribal-State compacts (entered into
20	and approved pursuant to section 11(d) of
21	the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25
22	U.S.C. 2710) governing gaming activity on
23	the Indian lands, in each respective State,
24	on which each person placing, receiving, or
25	otherwise making such bet or wager, or

transmitting such information, is physically located when such person places, receives, or otherwise makes the bet or wager, or transmits such information; and

"(ii) each such Tribal-State compact expressly provides that the game may be conducted using the Internet or other interactive computer service only on a closedloop subscriber-based system or a private network.

"(2) ACTIVITIES UNDER EXISTING COMPACTS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The requirement of paragraph (1)(D)(ii) does not apply in the case of gaming activity, otherwise subject to this section, that was being conducted on Indian lands on July 31, 2003, using the Internet or other interactive computer service, with the approval of the State gaming commission or like regulatory authority of the State in which such Indian lands are located, but without such required compact approval, until the date on which the compact governing gaming activity on such Indian lands expires (exclusive of any automatic or discretionary renewal or extension of such compact), if such gaming activity is conducted

using the Internet or other interactive computer
 service only on a closed-loop subscriber-based system or a private network.

"(B) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this paragraph, the phrase 'conducted on Indian lands' shall refer to all Indian lands on which any person placing, receiving, or otherwise making a bet or wager, or sending, receiving, or inviting information assisting in the placing of a bet or wager, is physically located when such person places, receives, or otherwise makes the bet or wager, or sends, receives, or invites such information.

14 "§ 5364. Civil remedies

"(a) JURISDICTION.—The district courts of the United

16 States shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction to pre
17 vent and restrain violations of this subchapter or the rules

18 or regulations issued under this subchapter by issuing ap
19 propriate orders in accordance with this section, regardless

20 of whether a prosecution has been initiated under this sub
21 chapter.

- 22 "(b) Proceedings.—
- 23 "(1) Institution by Federal Government.—
 24 "(A) In General.—The United States, act25 ing through the Attorney General of the United

States, or, in the case of rules or regulations issued under this subchapter, through an agency authorized to enforce such regulations in accordance with this subchapter, may institute proceedings under this section to prevent or restrain a violation or a threatened violation of this subchapter or such rules or regulations.

- "(B) Relief.—Upon application of the United States under this paragraph, the district court may enter a preliminary injunction or an injunction against any person to prevent or restrain a violation or threatened violation of this subchapter or the rules or regulations issued under this subchapter, in accordance with rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- "(2) Institution by state attorney general.—
 - "(A) IN GENERAL.—The attorney general (or other appropriate State official) of a State in which a violation of this subchapter allegedly has occurred or will occur may institute proceedings under this section to prevent or restrain the violation or threatened violation.
 - "(B) Relief.—Upon application of the attorney general (or other appropriate State offi-

1	cial) of an affected State under this paragraph,
2	the district court may enter a preliminary in-
3	junction or an injunction against any person to
4	prevent or restrain a violation or threatened vio-
5	lation of this subchapter, in accordance with rule
6	65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
7	"(3) Indian lands.—Notwithstanding para-
8	graphs (1) and (2), for a violation of this subchapter
9	or the rules or regulations issued under this sub-
10	chapter that is alleged to have occurred, or may
11	occur, on Indian lands (as that term is defined in
12	section 4 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act)—
13	"(A) the United States shall have the en-
14	forcement authority provided under paragraph
15	(1); and
16	"(B) the enforcement authorities specified in
17	an applicable Tribal-State compact negotiated
18	under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regu-
19	latory Act (including such authorities that may
20	apply to activities described in section 5363(c))
21	shall be carried out in accordance with that com-
22	pact.
23	"(c) Expedited Proceedings.—In addition to any
24	proceeding under subsection (b), a district court may, in
25	exigent circumstances, enter a temporary restraining order

1	against a person alleged to be in violation of this subchapter
2	or the rules or regulations issued under this subchapter,
3	upon application of the United States under subsection
4	(b)(1), or the attorney general (or other appropriate State
5	official) of an affected State under subsection (b)(2), in ac-
6	cordance with rule 65(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Proce-
7	dure.
8	"(d) Limitation Relating to Interactive Com-
9	PUTER SERVICES.—
10	"(1) In General.—Relief granted under this
11	section against an interactive computer service
12	shall—
13	"(A) be limited to the removal of, or dis-
14	abling of access to, an online site violating this
15	subchapter, or a hypertext link to an online site
16	violating this subchapter, that resides on a com-
17	puter server that such service controls or oper-
18	ates, except that the limitation in this subpara-
19	graph shall not apply if the service is subject to
20	liability under this section pursuant to section
21	5366;
22	"(B) be available only after notice to the
23	interactive computer service and an opportunity
24	for the service to appear are provided;

"(C) not impose any obligation on an inter-
active computer service to monitor its service or
to affirmatively seek facts indicating activity
violating this subchapter;
"(D) specify the interactive computer serv-
ice to which it applies; and
"(E) specifically identify the location of the
online site or hypertext link to be removed or ac-
cess to which is to be disabled.
"(2) Coordination with other law.—An
interactive computer service that does not violate this
subchapter shall not be liable under section 1084 of
title 18, United States Code, except that the limita-
tion in this paragraph shall not apply if an inter-
active computer service has actual knowledge and con-
trol of bets and wagers and—
"(A) operates, manages, supervises, or di-
rects an Internet website at which bets or wagers
may be placed, received, or otherwise made or at
which bets or wagers are offered to be placed, re-
ceived, or otherwise made; or
"(B) owns or controls, or is owned or con-
trolled by, any person who operates, manages,
supervises, or directs an Internet website at
which bets or wagers may be placed, received, or

1	otherwise made, or at which bets or wagers are
2	offered to be placed, received, or otherwise made.
3	"(3) Rule of construction.—The provisions
4	of paragraph (2) do not affect any potential liability
5	of an interactive computer service or other person
6	under any provision of title 18, United States Code,
7	other than as specifically provided in paragraph (2).
8	"(e) Factors To Be Considered in Certain
9	Cases.—In considering granting relief under this section
10	against any payment system, or any participant in a pay-
11	ment system that is a creditor, credit card issuer, financial
12	institution, operator of a terminal at which an electronic
13	fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting busi-
14	ness, or international, national, regional, or local network
15	utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund trans-
16	fer, stored value product transaction, or money transmit-
17	ting service, or a participant in such network, the court
18	shall consider—
19	"(1) the extent to which the person extending
20	credit or transmitting funds knew or should have
21	known that the transaction was in connection with
22	$Internet\ gambling;$
23	"(2) the history of such person in extending cred-
24	it or transmitting funds when such person knew or

- should have known that the transaction is in connection with Internet gambling;
- "(3) the extent to which such person has established and is maintaining policies and procedures in compliance with rules and regulations issued under this subchapter;
- "(4) the extent to which it is feasible for any spesions of the cific remedy prescribed as part of such relief to be implemented by such person without substantial deviation from normal business practice; and
- 11 "(5) the costs and burdens that the specific rem-12 edy will have on such person.
- 13 "(f) Notice to Regulators and Financial Insti-14 TUTIONS.—Before initiating any proceeding under sub-15 section (b) (or under subsection (c), in the case of an insured institution or a broker or dealer or investment com-16 pany registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission), with respect to a violation or potential violation of this subchapter or the rules or regulations issued under this 19 subchapter by any creditor, credit card issuer, financial in-21 stitution, operator of a terminal at which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated, money transmitting business, or international, national, regional, or local network utilized to effect a credit transaction, electronic fund transfer, stored

value product transaction, or money transmitting service,

- 1 or any participant in such network, the Attorney General
- 2 of the United States, an attorney general (or other appro-
- 3 priate State official) of a State, or an agency authorized
- 4 to initiate such proceeding under this subchapter, shall—
- 5 "(1) notify such person, and the appropriate reg-
- 6 ulatory agency (as determined in accordance with
- 7 section 5362(f) for such person) of such violation or
- 8 potential violation and the remedy to be sought in
- 9 such proceeding; and
- 10 "(2) allow such person not longer than 60 days
- 11 to implement a remedy for the violation or potential
- violation, consistent with the factors described in sub-
- section (e), and in conjunction with such action as
- 14 the appropriate regulatory agency may take, if such
- person takes reasonable steps within that 60-day pe-
- riod to prevent the occurrence of such violation or po-
- 17 tential violation pending implementation of such
- 18 remedy.

19 "§ 5365. Criminal penalties

- 20 "(a) In General.—Whoever violates any provision of
- 21 this subchapter or the rules or regulations issued under any
- 22 provision of this subchapter shall be fined under title 18,
- 23 United States Code, or imprisoned for not more than 5
- 24 years, or both.

- 1 "(b) Permanent Injunction.—Upon conviction of a
- 2 person under this section, the court may enter a permanent
- 3 injunction enjoining such person from placing, receiving,
- 4 or otherwise making bets or wagers or sending, receiving,
- 5 or inviting information assisting in the placing of bets or
- 6 wagers.

7 "§ 5366. Circumventions prohibited

- 8 "Notwithstanding section 5361(2), a creditor, credit
- 9 card issuer, financial institution, operator of a terminal at
- 10 which an electronic fund transfer may be initiated, money
- 11 transmitting business, or international, national, regional,
- 12 or local network utilized to effect a credit transaction, elec-
- 13 tronic fund transfer, stored value product transaction, or
- 14 money transmitting service, or any participant in such net-
- 15 work, or any interactive computer service or telecommuni-
- 16 cations service, may be liable under this subchapter if such
- 17 creditor, issuer, institution, operator, business, network, or
- 18 participant has actual knowledge and control of bets and
- 19 wagers, and—
- 20 "(1) operates, manages, supervises, or directs an
- 21 Internet website at which bets or wagers may be
- 22 placed, received, or otherwise made, or at which bets
- or wagers are offered to be placed, received, or other-
- 24 wise made; or

- 53 1 "(2) owns or controls, or is owned or controlled 2 by, any person who operates, manages, supervises, or 3 directs an Internet website at which bets or wagers may be placed, received, or otherwise made, or at 5 which bets or wagers are offered to be placed, received, 6 or otherwise made. 7 "§ 5367. Rule of construction 8 "No provision of this subchapter shall be construed as altering, superseding, or otherwise affecting the application 10 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. "§ 5368. Authorization of appropriations "There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-12 retary such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subchapter.". 14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for 15 chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following: 17 "5361. Definitions. "5362. Office of electronic funding oversight; policies and procedures to identify and prevent restricted transactions. "5363. Prohibition on acceptance of any bank instrument for Internet gambling. "5364. Civil remedies. "5365. Criminal penalties. "5366. Circumventions prohibited. "5367. Rule of construction. "5368. Authorization of appropriations.". 18
- SEC. 4. INTERNET GAMBLING IN OR THROUGH FOREIGN JU-
- 19 RISDICTIONS.
- 20 (a) In General.—In deliberations between the United
- States Government and any other country on money laun-

1	dering, corruption, and crime issues, the United States Gov-
2	ernment shall—
3	(1) encourage cooperation by foreign govern-
4	ments and relevant international fora in identifying
5	whether Internet gambling operations are being used
6	for money laundering, corruption, or other crimes;
7	(2) advance policies that promote the cooperation
8	of foreign governments, through information sharing
9	or other measures, in the enforcement of this Act and
10	the amendments made by this Act; and
11	(3) encourage the Financial Action Task Force
12	on Money Laundering, in its annual report on money
13	laundering typologies, to study the extent to which
14	Internet gambling operations are being used for
15	money laundering purposes.
16	(b) Report Required.—The Secretary of the Treas-
17	ury shall submit an annual report to Congress on any delib-
18	erations between the United States and other countries on
19	issues relating to Internet gambling.
20	SEC. 5. AMENDMENTS TO CRIMINAL GAMBLING PROVI-
21	SIONS.
22	(a) Amendment to Definition.—Section 1081 of
23	title 18, United States Code, is amended—

1	(1) by designating the 5 undesignated para-
2	graphs that begin with "The term" as paragraphs (1)
3	through (5), respectively; and
4	(2) in paragraph (5), as so designated—
5	(A) by striking "wire communication" and
6	$inserting\ ``communication";$
7	(B) by inserting "satellite, microwave,"
8	after "cable,"; and
9	(C) by inserting "(whether fixed or mobile)"
10	after "connection".
11	(b) Application of Section 1084(a) to All Commu-
12	NICATIONS AND INCREASE IN PENALTY FOR TRANSFERS OF
13	Wagering Information.—Section 1084(a) of title 18,
14	United States Code, is amended—
15	(1) by striking "wire" each place that term ap-
16	pears; and
17	(2) by striking "two years" and inserting "5
18	years".

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To prevent the use of certain payment instruments, credit cards, and fund transfers for unlawful Internet gambling, and for other purposes.

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